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## P. E. JARRETT SUCCEUMS TO ATTACK OF PNEUMONIA

Telegram Received Here Sunday Stated He Had Died at 3:15 p. m. Greensboro, Alabama.

A telegram received here Sunday afternoon by J. B. Southard stated that his brother-in-law, Percy E. Jarrett, aged 33, had died at 3:15 of pneumonia after an illness of nine days, at his home in Greensboro, Ala. The deceased leaves a wife and two little daughters.

The deceased was well known here and had many friends who will deeply regret his untimely taking away. He had been living in Greensboro for several years working for the Southard Lumber Company, that has large timber interests there.

Mrs. Jarrett was formerly Miss Nora Southard, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Southard, here. They had heard of the serious illness of the deceased and left on the afternoon train for Greensboro. They had hardly expected he would survive until they arrived. The telegram announcing the death reached here shortly after the train had gone and their son, J. B. Southard, caught them by phone at Rockwood and imparted the sad news to them. They went on to Greensboro and will accompany the remains here for interment.

William Jarrett, father of the deceased, and family have been living in Florida for several years. Upon his arrival at Greensboro arrangements will be completed for the burial, which is expected to be here. Just when the remains will arrive was not known when this was written.

## CIVITAN CLUB WILL LIKELY BE ORGANIZED HERE SOON

Rev. W. C. Martin and I. N. Barnett, of Rockwood, were here Friday afternoon and arranged for a sumptuous banquet at Hotel Taylor that night in the interest of forming a Civitan club in Crossville. About 30 guests sat around the festal board and after an extended explanation by Rev. Martin and Mr. Barnett, followed by talks by numerous Crossville citizens, steps were taken that indicate a Civitan club will be formed here about January 1.

The occasion proved one of rare enjoyment to the jolly crowd that assembled by invitation of the visiting gentlemen. The spirit of Civitan is such as will invariably appeal to all good citizens and it is hoped that much good will result through the club when it is finally organized and begins to function in the regular way.

## MORE BIDDERS FOR PUTTING SLAG ON ROAD TO SCHOOL

When bids were opened Monday for distributing slag on the road from Crossville to the Cumberland Mountain School, it was found that three other parties had become interested.

A. C. Beadle and Venus Hale had each bid 60 cents per cubic yard and Ernest Hale and bid 58 cents. The bid will doubtless be awarded to Mr. Hale. The slag distribution will begin at once.

## LADIES' BAZAAR A SUCCESS; ALMOST EVERYTHING SOLD

The bazaar held in the court house Friday by the Art Circle, the ladies of the Methodist Episcopal, Christian and Baptist churches brought out a goodly attendance and practically everything they had for sale was sold.

There was a most attractive display of a multitude of things useful and ornamental, as well as an abundance of choice home made candies and lots of good eats.

The Art Circle took in over \$50, the Methodist church \$20, the Baptists about \$30 and the Christian people \$64. The Art Circle ladies wish to extend their most grateful thanks to the public for its generous patronage.

## NO PAPER CHRISTMAS

Since Christmas comes on Monday this year, the Chronicle force would either have to put in the entire day working on the issue of the paper for that week, unless we omit that issue. As people will be so much interested in Christmas matters, the Chronicle will not issue December 27. The Chronicle force will take the Uletide vacation along with other folks.

## CLOSING UP TRAGEDY OF THE RAILROAD CROSSING DEATHS

Five Lives Snuffed Out and Two Seriously Injured; Cost Railroad Over \$20,000.

Most persons in the county remember more or less vividly the results of the terrible accident in August, 1917, when five persons were killed and two seriously injured by the west-bound passenger train striking an automobile at what is known as the Olds crossing, on the east side of town.

It is also known that suits were brought in most of the cases and damages recovered. Just this week about the last of the damage money is being turned over to the rightful receivers and that tragedy will soon be a closed page of unfortunate and much regretted history of our town.

It will be remembered that Jake Hichew was driving west at a rapid rate that fateful August afternoon, with six women in his car. Just as he reached the Olds crossing the west-bound passenger train struck the car in the middle, completely wrecked it, carried the car more than 100 yards, injured two and killed five persons.

The persons killed were Jake Hichew, Mrs. Phillip Vanhoy, Mrs. Wm. Hedgecoth, Miss Mable Dayton, and Miss Rosa Cox. Those injured were Miss Dorothy Dayton and Miss Edna Hughes. Miss Hughes recovered in about a week to such an extent that she was able to go to her home at Pomona. Miss Dayton was so seriously injured that she was in a hospital at Nashville for weeks lingering between life and death. Youth and a strong constitution finally triumphed and she was able to return home, but was lamed for life.

The friends of Jake Hichew reside in the west and no suit was brought by them for damages.

Suit was brought by Phillip Vanhoy, against the railroad for the death of his wife and a verdict was rendered in his favor for \$10,000.

William Hedgecoth brought suit for the death of his wife and he was awarded \$5,000.

Suit was brought by William Dayton for the death of his daughter, Mable, and the case was recently compromised on payment of \$1,250.

Mr. Cox was awarded a like amount upon a compromise for the death of his daughter, Rosa.

Dorothy Dayton was awarded damages in the sum of \$3,200, which was paid a short time ago.

Miss Edna Hughes did not bring suit, it seems.

Thus it will be seen that the total damages awarded amount to more than twenty thousand dollars. This, coupled with the costs, very likely made the total cost to the railroad not very much short of \$30,000. That crossing is still there in the same condition it was when the tragedy occurred. There has been much talk that an over-pass should be built there for protection of the public, but the city is not able to do it nor do the city fathers feel it to be the duty of the city to build the over-pass. The railroad could build an over-pass for much less than it has cost them to satisfy the claims in this single tragedy. Nothing is contemplated by the Tennessee Central so far as we are aware.

In this connection it is interesting to note that many persons have said they felt that the entire blame for the accident was due to the lack of proper care on the part of the driver or the ill-fated car. The evidence adduced in court clearly shows that the juries thought otherwise.

## MRS. LEM BURGESS IS VERY RAPIDLY RECOVERING

The latest reports from Mrs. Lem Burgess, who was seriously injured last week by a runaway mule, is that she is recovering rapidly and indications now are that she will soon regain her usual strength and health. It will be some days yet before she will be able to go about much.

## HEAVY FIRE LOSS AT ASTORIA; PREPARING TO REBUILD AGAIN

Last week a fire almost wiped out Astoria, Oregon, causing a loss estimated at \$12,000,000 to \$15,000,000. With characteristic western spirit preparations were under way for replacing the burned buildings with bigger and better one before the ashes had cooled.

## GREAT PROSPERITY AND VERY BRIGHT OUTLOOK

Cumberland County People Are Enjoying Period of Good Business Future Bright.

It is usual for people in almost any section to feel that things are not so prosperous where they chance to be as at some other point. Some persons in this county are complaining that business is not good or as it should be. If they will only look at conditions as they really are, they will readily see that they have failed to take stock of the true conditions.

It is likely that no county in the states has felt the business depression of the past few years less than has Cumberland county. There has been no crop failures and the market for railroad ties—one of the principal products of the county—has remained good so that our people have had employment all the time at a living wage if not at prices that meant great profit.

This year the hay crop has been the best ever known. The potato crop is good, but the prices are rather low and sales not active. The corn crop is very good and not many persons who are actual farmers will need to buy corn this year. In some sections of the county there is a good mast and hogs are getting in fine eating condition without any feed other than what they secure in the forest.

There are numerous staves, handle and lumber mills in operation at different points over the county and jobs are plentiful and at fair wages. Every person who wants to work has a job at a profitable wage.

Of all points of the county Crossville, the county seat, has made the most marked progress. A second bank has been organized and the building is now being erected. The capital stock is only \$25,000, but it could have been made twice that had all who wished stock been accommodated. As it is, the new bank is expected to start with a good business when it opens its doors for business a few weeks hence. The present bank is doing a good business.

Numerous residences have been erected or are now under course of construction. One large business house has been erected on main street. The building is 60x60 and two stories high. Just what it will be used for is not known at this time. A Radio station has been established here that takes messages from most of the large cities of the country, and with the addition of an amplifier, which was installed a few weeks ago, music and lectures can be heard for a mile or more from the station.

There has been a healthy influx of people seeking homes the past year and the outlook now is for a much greater influx of people and a far greater development in the county the coming year.

The new Methodist school—Cumberland Mountain School—is now in its second year and the work it is doing is meeting with the most hearty approval of the people and a generous sympathy is being extended to it. This summer a road was graded to the school and is now being surfaced for the entire distance of two miles.

Taking into account the present business conditions, the bright future and the crop conditions for this year, it would be difficult to find a place that presents a more inviting outlook for homeseekers or investors. That Cumberland county is destined to take its place at an early date among the leading counties of the state there is not the slightest doubt. The abundant opportunities this section presents are becoming more and more widely known and the people are coming here in increasing numbers to learn first hand what this section offers. Those who come are amazed at the splendid conditions and generally admit that our county is destined to develop very rapidly in the near future. The present splendid growth is making of it one of the very best sections of the state, is the claim of traveling men who cover the state for the wholesale houses of the larger cities of Tennessee.

In view of these indisputable facts, we, as a people, have no real cause to complain but have much to be thankful for and to rejoice over. Let's stop complaining and tell every one we see of what a splendid county we have and thus help push forward all conditions that make for further and larger growth. We owe this to ourselves and to our county.

W. L. Renfro was in Crossville Tuesday.

## HOW MANY AUTOS AND TRUCKS NOW IN OUR COUNTY

There Have Been 241 Autos and 17 Trucks Paid License in County This Year.

Few things mark the life and progress of any community more fully than the number of automobiles and trucks in a county. A glance at the books of County Clerk W. D. Hedgecoth shows that 241 autos and 17 trucks paid the privilege tax the past year. The total amount collected by Clerk Hedgecoth is \$2,872.56.

The gasoline consumed is a further evidence of the life and activity of the community. The Standard Oil Company established its filling and distributing station here some three or four months ago and has been supplying practically all the gasoline and oil used in Crossville and vicinity by our home people since. While we have not the figures for the entire time the Standard has been operating here, their local manager, S. W. Swicegood, has kindly given us the figures of his sales for the month of November. The gasoline has amounted to 10,605 gallons. The fuel and lighting oil has amounted to 5,860 gallons; a total of 16,465 gallons of both for November. Doubtless considerably more gasoline was consumed during some of the summer months than in November. As it is, the consumption of both gasoline and oil for November was slightly over 545 gallons a day.

## A CORRECTION.

In our issue of the Chronicle for last week we made the statement that the steel is on the ground for the Daddys Creek bridge at Antioch. We have since learned that we got a wrong understanding of the matter in our talk with Mr. Bilbrey, who is doing the concrete buttment work.

The steel for the bridge has not yet been purchased, we are reliably informed. Mr. Bilbrey expects to complete the concrete work on the piers this week. Then will follow the work on the approaches. The bridge will not be erected before the low water period of next year. To attempt it during high water would almost surely result in much needless trouble and expense.

## TO LOSE GOOD CITIZEN RETURN TO FORMER HOME

J. L. Cline to Return to Jefferson County for the Present, May Return Here Later.

J. L. Cline, who moved to this county from Jefferson county, East Tennessee some two years ago, plans to return to his old home. He is not yet decided if he will permanently locate there or return here.

Mr. Cline came to this county about two years ago and bought what is known as the Lowndes farm, about a mile north of Howard Springs. He has been farming here since and is well pleased with the country and the crops he has grown.

He owned a farm in Jefferson county that he sold during war times, when land was high, for \$6,000. The purchaser paid him \$3,000 cash but was unable to complete the payments and a short time ago he deeded the farm back to Mr. Cline. Recently Mr. Cline sold the farm for \$3,000, just half what he contracted it for a few years ago.

He has sold a half interest in his Lowndes farm recently and has decided to move back to East Tennessee for the winter. He is undecided at this time whether he will buy in East Tennessee or return here in the spring and take up farming on his place again.

He is an industrious man, a good citizen and is much respected by those who have learned to know him since coming here. It is with much regret that the people of the Howard Springs neighborhood see him and family move away and his departure is a distinct loss to the county.

## SLIPPERY!

"King Constantine's Hold Slipping," says a headline. That's what he gets for trying to stick to Greece.—Charleston Gazette.

## CHEERING WORDS FROM OLD AND VALUED FRIEND

A. J. Forbes Will Be Pleasantly Remembered by Many of the Older People.

The editor of the Chronicle is in receipt of a letter from A. J. Forbes, who will be remembered by many of the older people of the county as being in the general merchandise business here more than thirty years ago, when every store kept as its main stock such things as domestic, jeans, madder, indigo, spun thread, gunpowder, musket and rifle caps, sorghum molasses and low-quartered shoes. Very few of these articles named can now be found in the general stores of this section. Several of the articles named could not be found in the county.

Later Mr. Forbes retired from the goods business and became the owner and editor of the Tennessee Times, which was absorbed by the Chronicle more than twenty-five years ago. From here Mr. Forbes went to Knoxville, where he entered the daily newspaper field and later went to Memphis, where he held important positions with the leading dailies of the Tennessee metropolis. But for three years he has not been in the newspaper business. But let him have his say through the letter:

Memphis Tenn., December 5, 1922. Dear Bishop:—I was reading last week's Chronicle last night, which reminded me that I had not sent you the amount of my subscription. I am enclosing check. Remind me when I owe you again.

It seems to me you are making the Chronicle a better newspaper each year and I hope you are prospering as I judge most of the Cumberland county people are.

I have been out of the daily newspaper business for more than three years. Edited several magazines since then, and am now in the advertising and publicity business with an office and business of my own. Best regards to you and my other old time friends.

Cordially yours,  
ARTHUR J. FORBES.

## RESTAURANT AMERICAN

"Scrambled eggs," ordered a customer in a city market restaurant. "Milk toasts," murmured his companion, who was not feeling well.

"Scramble two and a grave yard stew," sang out the waitress with the Titian hair.

"Here," corrected the second man, "I want milk toast."

"You'll get it Buddy," replied the girl. That's what they call milk toast down in Pittsburg, where I worked."

The two customers held a conference and decided to "put one over" on the "fresh young thing" from Pittsburg. The first one wanted a glass of milk and the second a cup of black coffee.

When the girl appeared to put a set up of the restaurant artillery in front of the men the second man gave the following order:

"A bottle of lacteal fluid for my friend and a scuttle of Java with no sea foam for me."

"Chalk one an' a dipper of ink," shouted the girl. She didn't even grin.—The Arklight.

## CRAB ORCHARD

Thanksgiving has past and no doubt every one had a big feast for which they were thankful, but I guess the few turkeys that are left are thankful too that Thanksgiving again is a year ahead.

Mrs. Burke Burno and Miss Amanda Kemmer ended their fourth month of school Wednesday afternoon with a Thanksgiving program which was enjoyed by a goodly number of the parents.

A splendid Thanksgiving program was rendered at the Christian church Wednesday night to a large crowd.

Misses Ruby Hedgecoth and Dorothea Hamby, of Crossville, spent the week-end with Miss Lennice Martin.

Mrs. W. A. Baker and daughter spent Thanksgiving with her father at Rockwood.

Misses Nota Mae Borden and Gladys Davenport dismissed school Wednesday afternoon and went to their homes at Crossville to spend Thanksgiving.

Mrs. D. B. Manning went to Knoxville, Wednesday to visit with her children there. Mr. and Mrs. Hile Manning and Hoyt Manning. She returned home Sunday.

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